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DEFENSE FOR OASD/ I& L, MR. NOLAN AND ISA FOR MR. JOE

MILLER; JCS FOR J-4/ PETROLEUM; USCINCEUR FOR J-4/ JPO, CAPT

WALLER; USNMR SHAPE FOR COL. NICHOLS.

BEGIN SUMMARY: AN UPDATING MEETING WAS HELD WITH PAKTANK REP WHILE BASIC PLANS FOR PIPELINE REMAIN THE SAME, NEW IDEAS ARE EVOLVING FOR A BROADER CONCEPT OF PETROLEUM LOGISTICS SERVICE IN MINDS OF PAKTANK. MISSION OFFICER HAS REFERRED PAKTANK REP TO SHAPE. END SUMMARY.

1. USNATO PROJECT OFFICER ( COL RANTZ) WAS VISITED ON 3 JULY 73 BY REPRESENTATIVES OF PAKTANK CO. WHO CONFIRMED THAT THEIR PREVIOUSLY REPORTED PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A MAJOR PIPELINE FROM CONFIDENTIAL

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ROTTERDAM/ ANTWERP TO GELEEN, NETHERLANDS AND COLOGNE, GERMANY WERE PROGRESSING WITH EXPECTATIONS THAT CONSTRUCTION WOULD START SOMETIME IN 1976. DETAILS OF PLAN REMAIN AS REPORTED IN REFERENCED AIRGRAM.

2. PAKTANK REPRESENTATIVE STATED DESIRE TO VISIT SHAPE HQS AND MAKE CAPABILITIES AND PLANS OF THEIR COMPANY KNOWN TO SHAPE. BASED ON EARLIER DISCUSSION WITH COL NICHOLS, O CH S, SHAPE, SUCH A VISIT WAS ENCOURAGED BY MISSION OFFICER. PAKTANK REP. MR. VAN DER HEIJDEN, GENERAL MANAGER FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, WAS GIVEN THE NAME OF COL PAULSEN ( GAF), SHAPE POL DIVISION, AS OFFICER TO CONTRACT. VAN DER HEIJDEN SAID HE WOULD BE DOING SO IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

3. INTRODUCING NEW SUBJECT, VAN DER HEIJDEN SAID HE HAD IN MIND POSSIBILITY THAT HIS COMPANY' S EXTENSIVE FACILITIES COULD ALSO BE OF VALUE TO THE MILITARY IN BOTH PEACE AND WARTIME IN OVER-ALL ROLE OF PETROLEUM LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT, IMPORTING, STORING AND DISTRIBUTING FUELS AS COMPLEMENT TO THE CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE SYSTEM ( CEPS). HE EXPRESSED SEVERAL OTHER IDEAS WITH HE SAID QUOTE COULD SUGGEST POSSIBILITIES FOR JOINT VENTURES WITH CEPS. UNQUOTE. MISSION OFFICER SUGGESTED THAT SUCH THOUGHTS SHOULD BEST BE CONVEYED INITIALLY TO SHAPE.

4. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION OF INTRODUCTORY CONTACT AND PRE-SENTATION TO SHAPE STAFF OFFICER, COL RANTZ SAID HE WOULD PREFER THAT DIRECT CONTACT BE MADE WITHOUT INVOLVING U. S. AS AN INTERMEDIARY OR REFERENCE TO EARLIER U. S. ONLY DISCUSSIONS.

5. WE EXPECT TO BE IN CONTACT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF U. S. OIL COMPANY WITH SIMILAR PLANS( AS REPORTED IN REFERENCE) DURING LATTER PART OF JULY AND WILL SUBSEQUENTLY REPORT SUBSTANCE OF DISCUSSIONS.  
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